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Descriptive Inventory

MSS 170 BROWN, John D., 1883-1961

1 box. 5 folders. 142 items. 1937-1961

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BIOGRAPHY

John D. Brown was born on May 30, 1883. He married Ida (Shelton) Ward and had one son by her, James David Brown. They divorced, and he married Fordyce (Moorhead) Carroll; they had two children: Emma and Robert. Brown spent most of his life as a farmer in South Hill, Kentucky, a community in Butler County. He farmed, did surveying work, served as a representative for the DeKalb Agricultural Association, and was a Notary Public. At the time of his death on 15 March 1961, Mr. Brown was listed as the Butler County surveyor. After Brown's death at the age of 77, he was buried in a family cemetery in Butler County.

COLLECTION

This small collection consists of correspondence, both personal and business, sent to John D. Brown of Butler County, Kentucky. The majority of the letters were sent to Brown from his son, Robert B. Brown, while he served in the Navy during World War II and in subsequent military service. Robert Brown's letters are brief but do provide some insight into military life. Robert inquires about local farming and family matters. The collection also contains several letters sent to John D. Brown from his daughter, Emma (Brown) Martin. A small amount of business correspondence is found in the collection, as well as information, newsletters, and correspondence related to the Mammoth Cave Production Credit Association, a cooperative lending organization for farmers.

SHELF LIST

BOX 1		1937-1961	142 items
Folder 1	Descriptive inventory	1937-1961	1 item

Folder 2	Letters to Brown from his son, Robert B. Brown	1942-1961	76 items
Folder 3	Letters to Brown from his daughter, Emma, and other family members	1944-1961	18 items
Folder 4	Business letters sent to Brown and related material	1939-1960	15 items
Folder 5	Material related to the Mammoth Cave Production Credit Association	1937-1960	32 items

CATALOG CARD

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Letters to Brown, of South Hill in Butler County Kentucky, from family. Includes letters sent by his son while serving in the Navy during World War II and in subsequent military service; also includes letters from his daughter, Emma Martin. Some business correspondence and materials concerning the Mammoth Cave Production Credit Association are also part of the collection.

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CHRONOLOGY CARDS

1937-1950

1951-1961

me - 1; sl - 1; sa - 11; chrono - 2

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